# **BEARFACTS** 1992 – 2002 **Jefferson** , **Texas** [48245]

Jefferson is one of 254 counties in Texas. It is part of the <u>Beaumont-Port Arthur, TX (MSA)</u>. Its 2002 population of 248,402 ranked 18th in the state.

### PER CAPITA PERSONAL INCOME

In 2002 Jefferson had a per capita personal income (PCPI) of \$25,589. This PCPI ranked 53rd in the state and was 89 percent of the state average, \$28,835, and 83 percent of the national average, \$30,821. The 2002 PCPI reflected an increase of 2.2 percent from 2001. The 2001-2002 state change was -0.7 percent and the national change was 0.8 percent. In 1992 the PCPI of Jefferson was \$19,161 and ranked 36th in the state. The 1992-2002 average annual growth rate of PCPI was 2.9 percent. The average annual growth rate for the state was 4.3 percent and for the nation was 4.0 percent.

#### TOTAL PERSONAL INCOME

In 2002 Jefferson had a total personal income (TPI) of \$6,356,343\*. This TPI ranked 16th in the state and accounted for 1.0 percent of the state total. In 1992 the TPI of Jefferson was \$4,701,204\* and ranked 11th in the state. The 2002 TPI reflected an increase of 1.9 percent from 2001. The 2001-2002 state change was 1.1 percent and the national change was 1.8 percent. The 1992-2002 average annual growth rate of TPI was 3.1 percent. The average annual growth rate for the state was 6.4 percent and for the nation was 5.2 percent.

## COMPONENTS OF TOTAL PERSONAL INCOME

Total personal income includes net earnings by place of residence; dividends, interest, and rent; and personal current transfer receipts received by the residents of Jefferson. In 2002 net earnings accounted for 63.6 percent of TPI (compared with 63.4 in 1992); dividends, interest, and rent were 15.7 percent (compared with 19.3 in 1992); and personal current transfer receipts were 20.7 percent (compared with 17.3 in 1992). From 2001 to 2002 net earnings increased 2.2 percent; dividends, interest, and rent decreased 5.6 percent; and personal current transfer receipts increased 7.2 percent. From 1992 to 2002 net earnings increased on average 3.1 percent each year; dividends, interest, and rent increased on average 1.0 percent; and personal current transfer receipts increased on average 4.9 percent.

#### EARNINGS BY PLACE OF WORK

Earnings of persons employed in Jefferson increased from \$5,496,081\* in 2001 to \$5,641,572\* in 2002, an increase of 2.6 percent. The 2001-2002 state change was 1.0 percent and the national change was 2.1 percent. The average annual growth rate from the 1992 estimate of \$4,058,985\* to the 2002 estimate was 3.3 percent. The average annual growth rate for the state was 6.8 percent and for the nation was 5.4 percent.

\*Note: All income estimates with the exception of PCPI are in thousands of dollars, not adjusted for inflation.

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